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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.—The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/5 8/16.

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FURIOUS BOMBARDMENT IN PROGRESS.

Chinese Batteries Responding Well.

ANOTHER HUGE FIRE STARTED.

Shanghai. (7.42 a.m.), To-day.

The heavens rocked with thunderous explosions and thousands of Shanghai residents were rudely awakened, when at 5 o'clock this morning the Japanese artillery opened out against a block of building situated to the North of the recently-destroyed Commercial Press. The accuracy of the Japanese gunners, who shelled the buildings, owing to the belief that large numbers of Chinese troops were concentrated there, was reflected when a huge conflagration broke out, sending columns of smoke and flame up into the sky.

The Chinese batteries responded and for the past two hours the exchange of shell-fire has been going on with unabated fury.

SOVIET - JAPANESE CONVERSATIONS.

Karakhan and Hirota Meet.

C.E.R. AND MANCHURIA.

Moscow, Yesterday. M. Karakhan to-day received Mr. Hirota for the purpose of putting a verbal questionnaire dealing first with the request of the Japanese Commander at Harbin to the C.E.R. to supply seventeen trains to convey troops to Imenpo and the further station of Pograniczaia, ostensibly to protect Japanese lives.

M. Karakhan declared that this abnormal development, which involves the moving of troops over the Soviet frontier, is beyond the jurisdiction of the management of the C.E.R.

Secondly, the same Commander, he said, had approached the C.E.R. to conclude an agreement for the transport of troops anywhere on the C.E.R. at a fifty per cent. reduction of rates.

M. Karakhan argued that such an agreement impinged on the political sphere and affected the existing Sino-Russian and Japanese-Russian agreements.

M. Karakhan also protested against the Japanese giving assistance to White Guards in Manchuria, which he said was in defiance of the assurance given to M. Litvinoff by Mr. Hirota.

The Soviet further required information concerning the character of the new State in Manchuria.

Mr. Hirota promised to get the information immediately from Tokyo.—Reuter.

JAPANESE REPLY TO LEAGUE'S APPEAL.

Under Consideration.

Geneva, Yesterday. Members of the League Council, excepting the Chinese and Japanese Members, are exchanging views in regard to Japan's reply to the Council's recent appeal, but no meeting of the Council has yet been fixed. Reuter.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

Rugby, Yesterday. Mr. Lloyd George, who, it was anticipated would return next week to his Parliamentary duties, is confined to his home with a cold. British Wireless Service.

HEAVY ARTILLERY BOMBARDMENT

EXCHANGE OF ARTILLERY FIRE ON THE KIANGWAN FRONT

NO SERIOUS FIGHTING

CHINA HOLDS JAPAN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BOMBING OF HANGCHOW.

An artillery duel of great intensity started early this morning in Shanghai and was going on with unabated fury at 8 o'clock. The Chinese batteries are responding splendidly.

Another huge fire, as the result of this bombardment, has been started in Chapei in a block of buildings near the destroyed Commercial Press.

As a result of protests, in future, Japanese reinforcements for Shanghai will not be landed within Settlement limits. The Japanese Flagship is also to berth elsewhere.

The artillery bombardment, mentioned above, ceased soon after 8 o'clock. Fire is being exchanged on the Kiangwan front, but no serious fighting has occurred.

Japanese reinforcements are believed to be nearing Shanghai, but none have yet landed.

China is protesting to Japan concerning the bombing, yesterday, of Hangchow, and says she will hold Japan liable for damage done, as Japan has not yet declared war and this is decidedly an act of war.

(Reuter's Pacific Service).

Shanghai (10.16 a.m.), To-day. At eight o'clock this morning, the firing in Chapei subsided and quiet is yet being maintained.

It appears the Japanese were using to-day 12 field guns, firing simultaneously and concentrating on one position, where it was believed Chinese troops were assembling. The 12 guns fired 25 rounds apiece.

This morning there is an exchange of artillery fire on the Kiangwan front, but so far no serious fighting in this sector has occurred.

Japanese officials are reticent regarding the arrival of reinforcements, but it is believed transports are nearing Shanghai.

No reinforcements, however, have yet been landed.

CHINA PROTESTS TO JAPAN

BOMBING OF HANGCHOW.

(Reuter's Pacific Service).

Nanking, February 27. The Chinese Government is protesting to Japan of yesterday's bombing "without warning and without provocation of the peaceful city of Hangchow," pointing out that Japan has not yet declared war on China and holding the Japanese Government liable for compensation for the damage caused.

FAMOUS AIR WOMAN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Shanghai, (10.31 a.m.) To-day.

For the last two nights, Shanghai leaders have been mystified by sound waves of the reports of artillery prices, though the artillery batteries in and about Shanghai were apparently silent.

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Rugby, Yesterday. Japanese aviators have now been ordered not to fly over Settlement limits, unless absolutely necessary.

STIMSON'S LETTER

HOW WILL BRITAIN REACT?

U.S. AND LEAGUE

FEARS TO TAKE A HAND.

Washington, Yesterday.

The State Department is watching with interest the preparations for the League Assembly meeting on March 3.

Though the United States is not participating officially, Washington will have an observer present.

Curiosity has been aroused as to how Britain will react to Mr. Stimson's hint to Senator Borah that Japan's violation of the Nine-Power Treaty might cause a revision of United States' naval policy in the Pacific implying a new race of naval construction. Though the State Department is eager that the

RAINY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning states:

The anti-cyclone has strengthened and is now central over the Lower Yangtze Valley.

The depression is central to the S.E. of Hokkaido.

Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; overcast; rainy.

League should declare decisively against Japan's activities and is anxious to co-operate in such a decision. It fears that, a direct invitation to participate in the League's discussions and assume responsibility for the decisions taken at Geneva, might arouse the enemies of American participation in the League which they denounce as a gang dominated by European political card-sharers eager to get Uncle Sam to help to police the world principally for the benefit of France and Britain. Such sentiments are strong in Congress, and any clash over the principle of United States' participation in the League would ham-string Washington's efforts to check Japan.—Reuter's American Service.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

Queen and Princess As Royal Visitors.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Queen, who has made two lengthy visits to the Olympia Section of the British Industries Fair, where she made extensive purchases, particularly of glass, China and cutlery, to-day visited the Textile Section at the White City in company with the Princess Royal—British Wireless Service.

DISTINGUISHED INVALIDS.

Lord Plumer.

Rugby, Yesterday. Field Marshal Lord Plumer is living seriously ill at his London home—British Wireless Service.

The Races.

LAST DAY OF ANNUAL MEETING

GOOD RACING IF WEATHER IMPROVES.

(By Wombat.)

9TH RACE:—

Orlando.

Lobster Bay.

King's Counsel.

STATISTICS FOR FOUR DAYS.

Below are lists of successful Jockeys and Owners for four days' racing:—

Jockeys.

1st 2nd 3rd

Y. S. Chang 10 7 3

Hill 8 1 0

Frost 6* 5 3

Clark 4 5* 6

D. S. Li 4 4 6

Quincy 3 2 1

T. Y. Tung 2 7* 2

Heard 2 4 4

Dallas 2 4 3

Noodt 2 4 2

McCann 2 1 1

Reidy 1 1 0

Butler 1 0 1

T. L. Wong 1 0 3

F. M. L. Soares 1* 0 0

Charles 0 1 0

Corbett 0 1 0

Rothe 0 0 4

Ip Kui-ying 0 0 1

Proulx 0 0 1

G. U. da Rosa 0 0 1

Carroll 0 0 1

A. A. R. Botelho 0 0 1

Y. T. Fung 0 0 1

* One dead-heat.

Owners.

1st 2nd 3rd

L. Dunbar 6 1 1

Dynasty 4 4 3

Kong Bros. 4 3 5

H. S. Chan 4 0 0

Chan Tin-son 3 3 2

Mrs. Dunbar 3 1 1

Lowcock & Lee 2 0 0

D. J. Lewis 2 0 1

Wong Ping-shun 2 0 1

F. M. L. Soares 2* 0 0

L. T. F. 1 5* 2

Mackie & Grayburn 1 3* 4

Ho Kom-tong 1 3 2

Mrs. Pearce 1 2 0

Waung & Li 1 0 0

A. E. M. Rafek 1 2 0

A. M. L. Soares 1 1 0

Aitch Aitch 1 1 1

Widdecombe 1 1 0

L. Reidy 1 0 1

Grist & Beck 1 0 2

Reinbek 1 0 1

Dalrem 1 0 1

Dyer 1 0 1

Brish 1 0 1

S. A. Lopes 1 0 0

Helenside 1 0 1

Eve 0 4 6

L. A. H. Wright 0 2 0

Sturt & Lebel 0 1 1

Lewis & Tinson 0 1 1

Rain 0 1 1

T. P. T. 0 1 0

Jacque 0 1 0

The WOMAN'S Page



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WATCH YOUR HIP.

It seems to me that all skirts, sports styles and those designed for every-day wear, must be carefully fitted at the hips, which is, after all, the whole secret of the success of many new attires. Simplicity, we are told, is the keynote of these new skirts, and slimness is the way designers interpret this demand for "simplicity."

Waists come at a normal or slightly elongated line, and interesting changes in colour may be brought about by buttons on a diagonal hip line.

Gored styles in "sponge-bag" checks fit slim, and have but little fullness at the hem. Brightly coloured hopsack skirts with seams making broad panels front and back, open about six inches from the hem revealing three or four closely-set knife pleats.

KEEPING GLASS BRIGHT.

A good way of keeping glass always bright and clear is to add a teaspoonful of ammonia to the water in which it is washed. Place a towel in the bottom of the basin to prevent "chipping," if a wooden bowl is not available, and slip the glass in sideways. Always rinse glassware in cold water, dry with a linen towel, and polish with a leather.



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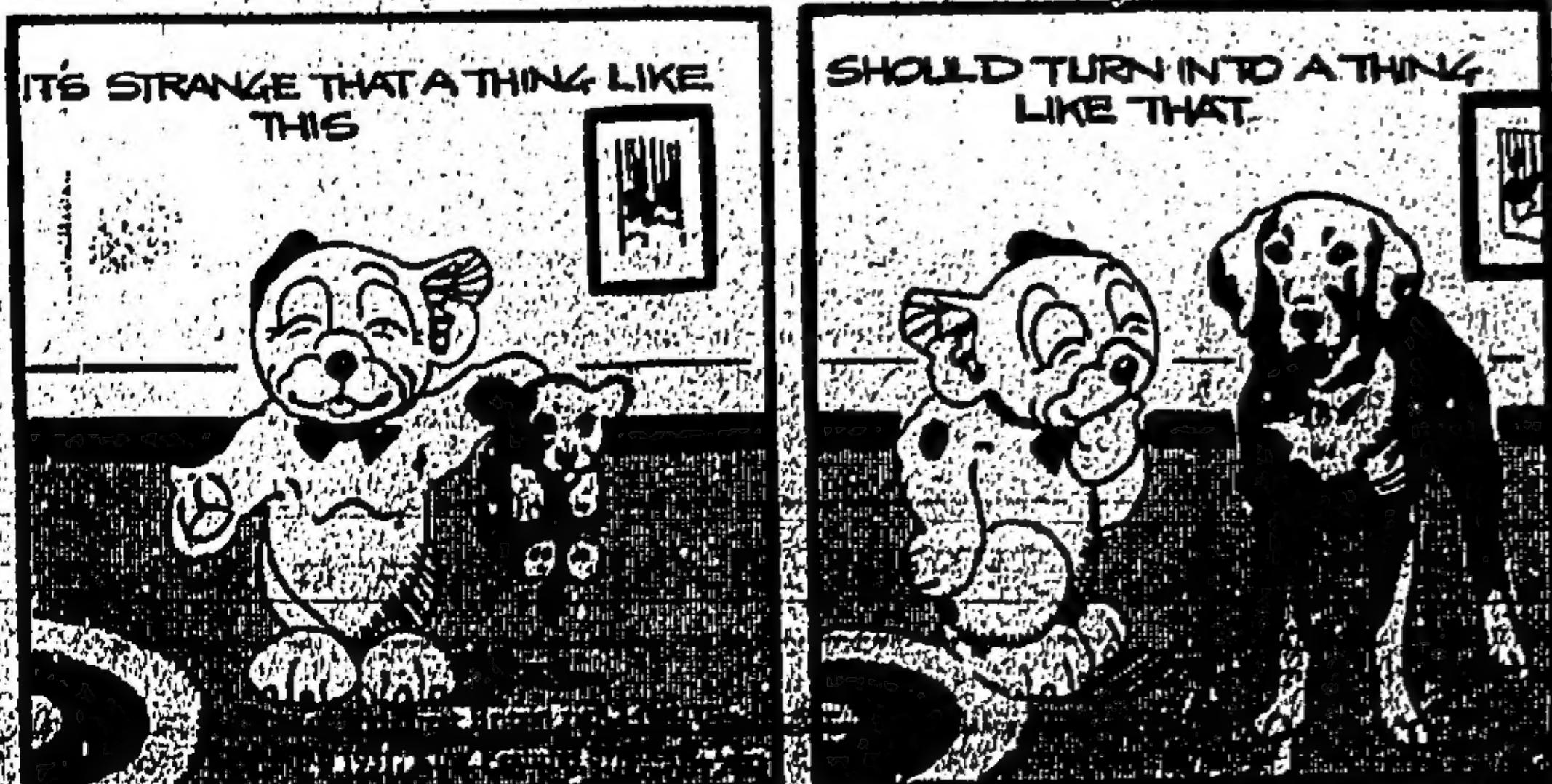
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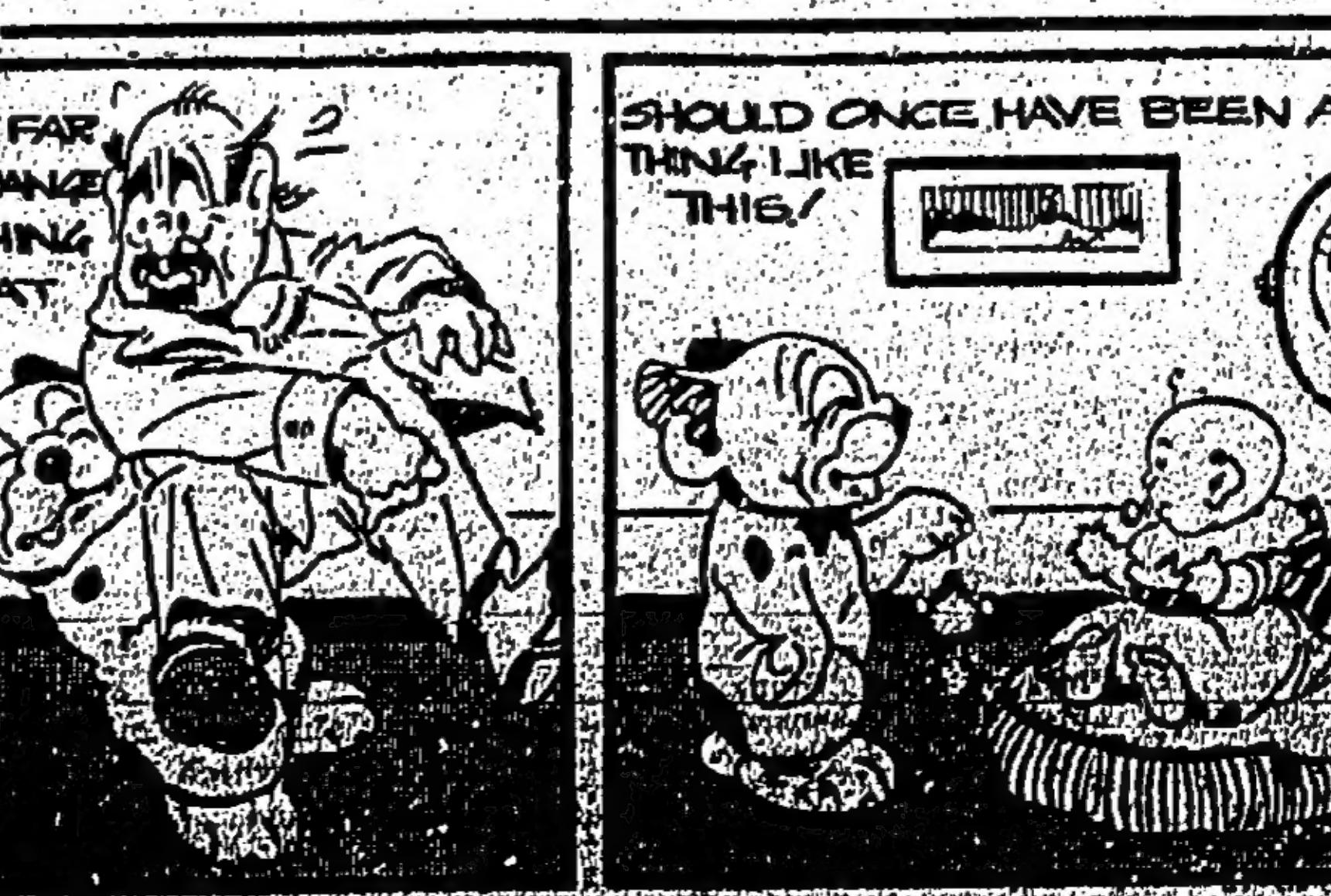
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By George Studdy

**HONG KONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.**

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **FRIDAY, March 4th, at 11 a.m.** in the Sanitary Board Room, 3rd Floor, Post Office Building.

Mr. Sambrook has kindly consented to take the chair.

**CONSIDER SLEEVES.**

Of all the new and attractive sleeves which have been presented to those seeking original fashions, the prettiest I have seen were on a semi-evening frock.

At least the style of frock was not strictly evening, it would do for any except the most formal occasions, and would be just right at a fashionable afternoon function.

The sleeves were wide but hardly reaching the elbow, and consisted of hundreds of petals in six tiers. Dull green cire ribbon was used for the petals and the ankle-length frock was cut from satin of the same hue.

The owner also carried a bag, reminiscent of a full-blown flower, cire ribbon petals being fitted to a small gilt frame.

**SHORTER SKIRTS.**

One delightful feature of the new skirts for outdoors at home is their shortness. Already an inch or so has been taken from tweed and suitng costume skirts, and they are tighter too.

The fashionable demoiselle is loud in her praises of this tidy, trim line, but let us pray that we shall be

**BRUSHING AWAY STAINS.**

Of the various methods of cleaning clothes which are only slightly stained or marked, a useful suggestion is the brush whose bristles are moistened with a preparation contained in a small well at the top. This is quite simple to manipulate because the brush is moistened automatically, and the spirit used is non-inflammable.

Apropos of stains, in most labour-

TAKE CARE OF YOUR SHOES.

Every well-dressed woman knows the value of smart footwear. It is not enough to buy good shoes. Care must be taken to keep them in perfect condition. No woman who takes a pride in her appearance would dream of putting her shoes away after wearing without first slipping the trees into them, because she knows unless this is done the shape will be absolutely ruined. If she is ultra-careful she will have them cleaned, or at least dusted, before they are put away.

Shoes that have been worn on a wet day need a little extra care. To dry them near a fire is a great mistake as this hardens and shrinks the leather. The best way is to stuff them well with paper to keep the shape and leave them resting on their sides, preferably in a draught, until dry. This gives the soles a chance to dry more quickly. If the leather seems stiff when dry, rub a little cream, or for dark shoes, olive oil or vaseline, well into it and wipe off with a soft cloth before cleaning in the usual way.

The Pinched Toe.

Never wear shoes that pinch as their shape is sure to be spoilt by having to walk in an unnatural manner. After putting on the shoes hold a cloth wrung out of boiling water over the part that pinches. This will stretch the leather and make it take the shape of the foot.

It is generally quite effective, but if not, take the shoes back to the shop at which they were bought and let them do the necessary adjusting. Most people have their own preference in shoe cleaners, but a very good emergency substitute for most leathers in a little cream or milk applied with a soft rag and polished off. Lizard skin shoes are best cleaned with peroxide of hydrogen used on a sponge.

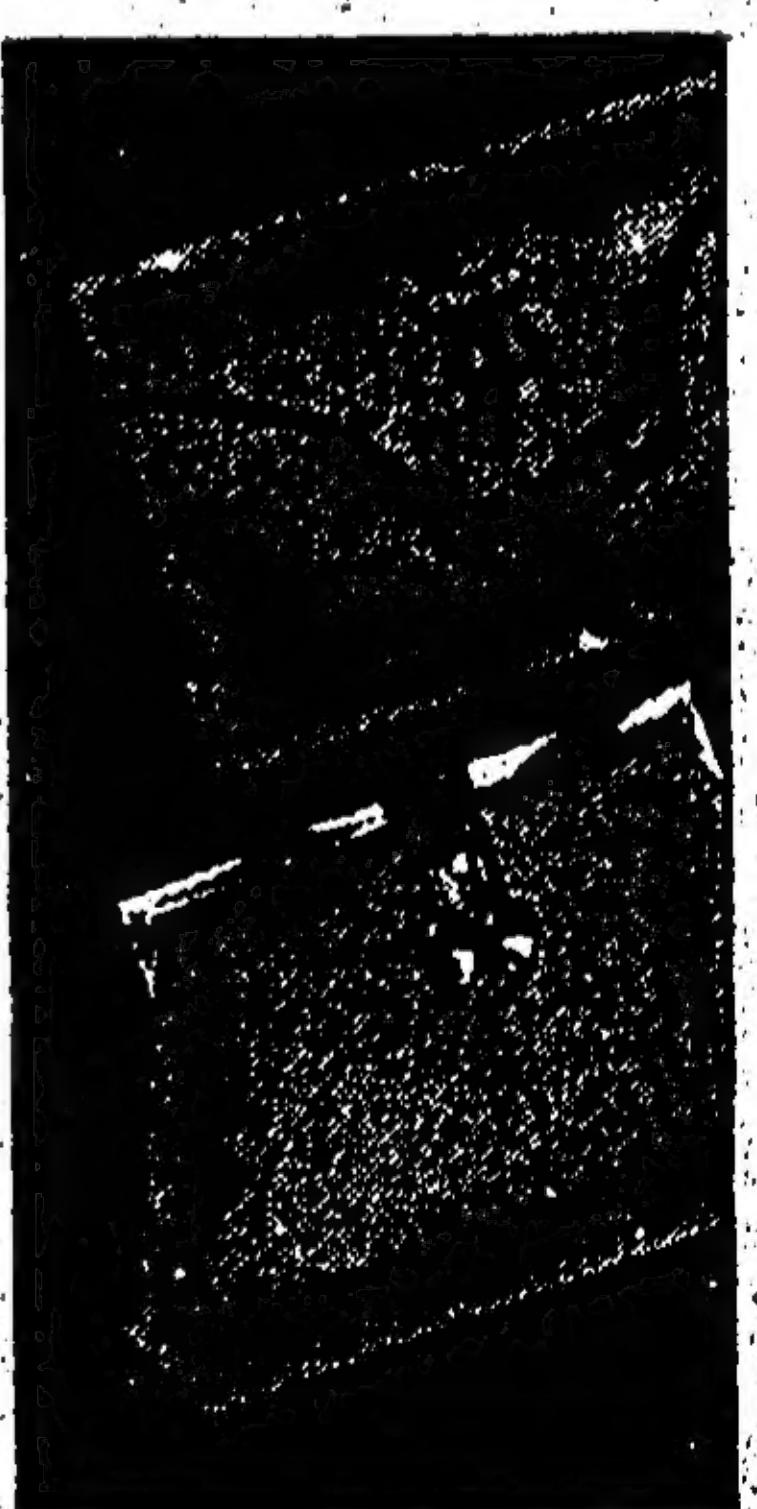
VEIL VOGUES.

Veils are no longer worn by the well-dressed merely to give allure to bright eyes, or introduce beauty spot; the latest veils are flesh-coloured and amusingly embroidered.

I must mention that such veils are quite short, a couple of inches from a drooping brim sufficing.

It is the embroidery which has taken such an interesting turn.

There are strange green insects along the edges. A black spider is a fashionable pet. Other beasts are worked in scarlet, violet, and orange threads. In fact, dress artists are allowed to be as imaginative as they please when it comes to decorating the new veils.



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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

RUMJAHN OVERCOMES HIS HURDLE.

Tsui's Impetuous Proves His Downfall.

FINCHER PASSES ON.

The match which commanded most attention in yesterday's Tennis Championships programme was that between S. A. Rumjahn and Tsui Yun-pul. Possessing a beautiful forehand drive when he desired to control it, Tsui astounded the many spectators by walking away with the first two games. After this, however, he became careless and with the exception of one or two brilliant moments he was steadily overcome by the steadiness of Rumjahn. He is yet young and should become a player of high merit in two years' time for he possesses all the strokes. His one big fault is his over-impulsiveness and this he can well attribute yesterday's defeat.

Rumjahn, on the other hand, won on his opponent's mistakes rather than on his own display. He seemed nervous at the commencement, but later steadied down to play a careful game. One noticeable fault was his weakness in service, which should cause some anxious moments to his many followers during the course of the Championship.

E. C. Fincher, favourite for this year's title, found no difficulty in entering the third round in straight sets.

The first day of the Open Doubles provided very mediocre tennis and lacked inspiration.

Full scores were as follows:—

Open Singles.
(Second Round.)
S. A. Rumjahn beat Tsui Yun-pui 6-4, 6-1.
Yew Man-kit beat A. H. Harkins 6-1, 6-0.
J. A. E. Cassumbhoy beat Iu Tak-cheuk 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Y. Hachiuma beat M. K. Lo, w.o.
E. C. Fincher beat J. J. Barrow 6-2, 6-1.

Open Doubles
(First Round).
G. W. Sewell and L. Wright beat Wong Fuk-nam and Ho Hin-kan 7-5, 6-4.

G. A. Noronha and L. A. da Rocha beat Iu Tak-lam and Luk Chan-cheong 6-8, 7-5, 7-5.
Lee Wai-tong and Luk Ding-cheong beat A. R. Minu and A. H. Madar 6-1, 6-4.

C. F. Hyde and M. W. Turner against A. V. Remedios and L. A. Ribeiro was left unfinished with the scores of 7-5, 3-6, 10-10.

GOLF.

Starting Times for Fanling.

The Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club supplies the following list of starting times for Fanling to-morrow:—

New Course.
9.32 a.m. S. Carr, H. E. Herbert.
9.40 " Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Sherry.
10.44 " T. S. Morrison, D. S. R. Smith.
11.00 " R. A. Rodgers, Mrs. Rodgers.

Old Course.
9.12-9.16 a.m.—Not to be booked by travellers on 8.28 train.

9.20 a.m. H. Lowe*, T. R. Chassee*.
9.24 " J. C. Campbell*, J. A. R. Shelly*.

9.28 " R. W. Taplin, J. B. Lanyon.
9.32 " D. G. Bruce, R. H. McBean.
9.36 " E. Stone, J. P. Sherry.

9.40 " A. V. Pinson, C. Mycock.
9.44 " A. O. Brown, N. K. Littlejohn.

9.48 " R. E. Atwell, W. A. Butterfield.

9.52 " E. des Voeux, E. Lewis.
9.56 " J. C. Dunbar, N. C. Webb.
10.00 " W. Woodward, D. S. Edward.

10.04 " G. R. Horridge, A. G. Coppin.

10.08 " A. D. Humphreys, E. O. Priestley.

10.12 " C. J. Law, W. W. Dawkes.
10.16 " B. Howard, F. H. Martley.

10.20 " S. S. Perry, D. M. Richards.
10.24 " J. Gardner, M. N. Cochrane.

10.28 " D. Forbes, H. C. Law.

10.32 " F. A. Pollock, R. Gordon.

10.40 " G. F. Hale, W. R. Vallance.

10.44 " B. P. Bailey, G. T. May.

10.48 " A. Kidd, H. T. Brooke.

10.52 " F. Syme, Thomson, P. S. Cassidy.

10.56 " E. Kerr, J. B. Lason.

11.00 " C. Thwaites, F. S. Grant.

11.04 " L. Yates, H. A. Lamerton.

11.08 " J. E. Mason, E. J. Dowley.

* Get Caddies from Superintendent.

ST. ANDREW'S FAIL TO SCORE.

Held to Draw by the Signals.

CLUB SECONDS HELD.

A Mamak Hockey Tournament match was played on the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday afternoon, between the St. Andrew's Club and the Royal Corps of Signals, a fast and even game ending in a draw with neither side scoring.

Both defences were strong, but the Signals forward line was better than that of the Saints.

Tournament Table to Date.

	Goals	P.W.	L.D.	F.A.	Pts.
Radio	6	1	2	15	5
St. Andrew's	10	4	2	4	8
Incognitos	9	3	2	4	11
R.C.A.	8	4	2	0	15
R.C. Sigs.	10	3	5	2	10
Police	7	2	3	2	9
R.A.S.C.	9	1	8	0	2
Forfeit	2	points to R.A.S.C. for breach of Rules.			

The C.B.A. Draw.

Playing with only nine men and without a goalkeeper at King's Park yesterday afternoon, the C.B.A. drew with the Hong Kong Hockey Club second eleven, both sides scoring three goals. Nowers, Hill and Tetley netted for the Club, whilst White (2) and T. S. Whitley replied for the C.B.A.

Our Sports Diary.

Today.
CRICKET—First Division—Indians v. Kowloon C.C. (L); University v. Navy (L); Craigengrove v. C.C. v. Civil Service C.C. (F); Second Division—Kowloon C.C. v. Indian C.C. (L); Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengrove C.C. (F); Royal Engineers & Signals v. University (F).

FOOTBALL—First Division—Kowloon v. Bordertown; Navy v. St. Joseph's; Third Division—Royal Engineers v. Royal Air Force; Bordertown v. Rangoon.

RACING—Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

To-morrow.

FOOTBALL—Charity Match—Army v. Chinese at Caroline Hill at 4.30 p.m.

GOLF—Final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup.

HUNTING—Panling Hunt Hounds Meet at Lokmacha at 3.15 p.m.

WELSH NATIONAL GROUND.

Union Considering Two Sites.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

London, January 27.

The urgent need of a national Rugby ground, which would be the recognised headquarters of the game in Wales, has been widely discussed. Especially has this been the case in Cardiff and Swansea, the two places which would be most directly affected by any change.

In conversations with members of the Welsh Union I find that they are fully aware of the heavy losses they have suffered through the non-provision of adequate accommodation.

This was driven home very forcibly by their experience in the England v. Wales game at Swansea, and it is a fact of some significance that the official figures showing the attendance at that match have not been published.

Ever since the leading clubs in South Wales acquired their present status, and long before that, there has been the keenest rivalry, bordering at times on bitterness, between East and West, written forward in the Daily Telegraph. That is the ruling body's greatest difficulty in coming to a final decision as to whether the venue shall be Cardiff or Swansea, and the only satisfactory way I can see out of the difficulty is to convene a special meeting of representatives of all the clubs affiliated to the Union, and to let them make a choice, by a majority vote, between Cardiff and Swansea.

Delicate Task.

Personally I had no doubt as to what would be the result of such a meeting—regrettable as it might be to take any step which would alienate Swansea and Llanelli, would be made.

THE CAMERA AND THE GOLFER.

Professional's View of a New Theory.

AND A WARNING.

It has been said that there is no new thing under the sun: this wise assertion is supported by Stanley Haynes, professional to the Maidenhead Golf Club, in his reply to my first article on the Camerarian School of Golf. He says that when I said the camera had flouted long-accepted golf theories, I was only repeating what has always been recognised by those whose business it is to make a study of the game.

I should suggest that every golfer has a right to make it his business to study the game so as to enjoy the playing of it, without any vaulting ambition to be a Bobby Jones.

The Maidenhead professional admits that the movement of the hands before the club in starting the backward swing, was "first exposed by the camera." That is a very candid confession—and reflection!

In his long letter, my professional critic warns the public that there is a danger of this movement being "grossly exaggerated," writes Clyde Foster in the Evening Standard.

Haynes refers to the danger of a "painful dragging away of the hands" which encourages the right elbow to stray from the side—a fatal error—with an additional swaying of the body, causing an "appalling slice" or an "absolute foolz."

But these statements need not frighten the Camerarians, although I am indebted to the professional for a very useful criticism, and he has my assurance that his "word of warning is not out of place."

The professional criticises the camera, which is rather on a par with tilting at the Quixotic windmill. He says:

"In my humble opinion the weakness of the camera as a medium of instruction lies in its exaggeration of detail. . . . That the camera has taught us certain things about our golf cannot be denied, but it is just this exaggeration of detail which is so misleading to the beginner."

I am not sceptical of the Camera's testimony. It shows everything in proportion, and is trustworthy. But here is my point:

Take no thought of more than is necessary and persevere with the Camerarian doctrine of "hands before the club at the start of the swing."

I concur with the concluding statement of the Maidenhead professional when he says:

"The controlling factor in golf is the hands and if the novice would realise this and not bother his head so much with the details of the swing he would go on much quicker."

These words might have been reproduced from my original article. They exactly convey what I said of the teaching of the Camera—the headmaster of the Camerarian School of Golf—who has "taught us certain things," as admitted by Stanley Haynes.

the two principal West Wales clubs.

Realising the delicacy and importance of any action they may take in the matter, the Union members have exercised the greatest patience and care for a number of years, but they now feel that the time has come for something definite to be done. There are two sites under consideration, and one of them, in particular, is eminently suitable for the laying out of a magnificent ground with ample space in which to provide accommodation for 100,000 people.

It would be indiscreet on my part to mention the location of that ground, and I leave it until negotiations for the acquisition of the site have reached a stage at which it can be made public without danger of "queering the pitch."

At Neath on Saturday, the Big Five did not take many minutes to pick the team to play against Scotland at Murrayfield on Saturday week. It was almost a foregone conclusion that not a single change

would be made.

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In Admiralty Jurisdiction on February 19, the Chief Justice gave judgment against the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, on claim and counter-claim, involving over \$80,000, arising out of a collision in Hong Kong harbour in March, 1931, between the Japanese s.s. Toyooka Maru and the China Navigation Company's steamer Kiangsu. His Lordship said he had no hesitation in saying that the main cause, at least, of the collision was the action of the Toyooka Maru in going across the fairway into fog. He had also come to the conclusion that the Japanese ship could have avoided a collision by dropping her anchor. A full text of the finding is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The Annual Race Meeting opened at Happy Valley on February 20, in brilliant weather. Times were fast and the turf was in perfect condition. However, it rained on the fourth day, but that did not in any way dampen the enthusiasm of racegoers. The Ladies' Purse was won by Mr. Y. S. Chang, his mount being King's Bounty, the favourite for the event. Several record times were broken, Doctor's Mandate doing exceptionally well in that line, lowering a record on the second day, and then beating his own record the following day! Dividends were fairly high, the biggest being \$651, for second place, and \$434 for third place. Liberty Bay (Mr. Hill up) won the Derby in a common canter. The lucky winner of the Derby first prize, \$12,000 odd, was a Chinese man. A full report of the meeting is chronicled in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The China-Japan war is still raging, in spite of what the Powers are endeavouring to do to restore peace. Reports of a big Chinese victory over the Japanese was current in Hong Kong on February 23, and soon every Chinese citizen was celebrating the good news. Crackers were fired all over the place, and the streets were littered with red paper. Latest movements of troops in the war zone, and the grave situation in Shanghai are dealt with fully in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Saturday, Feb. 27, 1932.

A Trade Barometer.

There being no "financial wizards" in the Colony that we know of, it must be left to the imagination to guess how many (or, how few) people in high places interested in finance and commerce will take the trouble to analyse the official figures of the trade of the Colony furnished by the Statistical branch of the Imports and Exports Department. The latest returns are those for January, 1932, as compared with January, 1931. Those returns disclose what was only to be expected in regard to the Colony's trade with Japan — a decrease of over \$3,800,000 in imports and a decrease of just over \$1,000,000 in exports. What we are — or should be — concerned with, as a British Colony, is our progress or otherwise with the British Empire as a whole. Ruling out, therefore, the Japanese losses on both sides of the ledger last month as compared with the corresponding month of last year, our trade experts have to account for a decline this year of \$1,637,185 in the value of imports and for a decline of over \$3,616,864 in the value of exports. To these losses the British Empire is responsible for no less than \$1,104,371 in imports to this Colony and for \$1,500,050 in exports from Hong Kong.

A glance at the commercial map of the Empire reveals few bright spots — evidence, it may be argued, of the persistent effects of the general depression throughout the world. The Colony's imports from the United Kingdom last month fell by over \$12,000,000 compared with January, 1931, whilst our exports dropped by over \$48,000. Our next best British ally, the Straits Settlements, showed a decline of over \$8,200,000 in imports here and a decline of over \$550,000 in goods shipped from Hong Kong. Here, again, our commercial nerves may be soothed not only by a reminder of the world's depression, but of the particularly strong slump in rubber and tin in British Malaya that has in turn reacted in most pronounced terms on the Straits Settlements. An in-

crease of nearly \$495,000 in imports from India was offset by a reduction of \$580,000 (roughly) in our exports — the latter, no doubt, being due to political more than commercial conditions in India. From Canada, we took \$260,000 more goods last month than in January a year ago, but what we shipped to her dropped \$34,000. Much the same ratio applies in respect of Australia, but a brighter outlook is disclosed in the case of Egypt from which we shipped \$41,506 more and sent back \$226,937 more than in the first month of 1931. South Africa supplied us with merchandise to the greater value of \$52,000; but the measure of our reciprocity was a decline of \$56,546 in the value of goods shipped from Hong Kong. Our trade with British North Borneo declined on both sides of the ledger, as did that with Burma; but we were a better customer for East Africa by over \$35,800, our exports showing an increase of only \$4,000. As regards the rather vague term, "British Empire, Other Parts," we took nearly \$250,000 less and sent \$32,000 less in the comparative months under review.

Reviewing the Colony's trade with the British Empire as a whole, the position cannot really be regarded as really bad compared with what other nations East and West, are passing through. And then no comparisons relating to a single month can be deemed satisfying of itself. The handwriting may be on the wall, but there is not nearly sufficient of it to guide our commercial mentors. We may as a British Colony devoutly hope that future months will disclose a betterment in our trade relations with the Empire of which we are a unit; but we cannot by the mere waving of a fairy wand create all the conditions favourable to such a desirable consummation.

Nature Study.

One of the many happy features of modern education is the attention being paid to, and lively interest being taken in, Natural History and Natural Science. Youth is being catered for in these directions as youth has not been catered for in the past. Many books have been written to interest the young mind in the history and the science of Nature Study, and there are periodicals designed to keep alive that interest and quicken it.

As boys and girls emerge from the chrysalis stage of youth into manhood, it would be pity indeed if nothing was provided to keep alive their quenched interest in Natural Science and History. Fortunately, such provision is made, in the form of more and yet more advanced publications dealing with the subject. No young man or woman, whose interest in Nature

Study has been quickened in youth, can say, with any justice to-day, that interest waned and was extinguished for want of food. If, alas! such has been the case, the fault is within and not without.

Among the many periodicals designed to quicken, maintain and spur on interest in the Science of Nature Study is one upon the doorstep of every home in this Colony — "The Hong Kong Naturalist." It is a periodical which ought not to be allowed to remain on the doorstep. It ought to be taken within and read and studied. A little familiarity with this fundamentally educational and withal highly interesting journal will soon dispel the fear from the layman's mind that it is "highbrow" and beyond the comprehension of the man-in-the-street.

"The Hong Kong Naturalist" is serving the Colony well and truly. It is filling, what is usually described as, a long-felt want, though you will not realise that until you have made a point of reading it. And the sooner you make up your mind to do so, the greater the pleasure there is in store for you.

Now, "The Hong Kong Naturalist" costs money to produce. It depends entirely upon subscriptions and advertising revenue to meet its production costs. The Hong Kong Government made a grant in 1931, and is making another grant this year, towards the cost of coloured plates, but the grants permit of only a few coloured plates being used, for such plates cost a deal of money. Without them, however, much of the value of the journal would be lost.

Then, those responsible for the publication, which is edited by Dr. G. A. C. Herklots of the University, desire to extend the scope and enhance the value of the journal. But, unless they receive the encouraging support of the people of Hong Kong, their efforts are doomed to be severely restricted. The people of Hong Kong can render valuable service by becoming subscribers to the journal. The annual subscription is \$7.00, a trifle over 50 cents a month. It is worthwhile. And we urge you to lose no time in becoming a subscriber to a journal you will learn to appreciate and like.

In the coming year, it is hoped to commence a series of illustrated articles on the Flowering Shrubs of the Colony. These articles will be written as simply as possible and will be fully illustrated with photographs and fine drawings. Another innovation will be the inclusion of outline maps shewing the Territories or portions of the Territories with localities clearly marked from which collections have been made. There will also be included from time to time photographs depicting characteristic scenes of mountain, village and agricultural life. It is hoped that anybody who possesses good negatives of scenes in the New Territories will be willing to put them at the journal's disposal.

A journal of this nature lives not alone by the number of its subscribers (though this is an important consideration), but mainly by the useful service it renders and the interest and enthusiasm of Naturalists, be they amateur or professional. As we have already said, "The Hong Kong Naturalist" is serving a useful purpose in this Colony, and it will be a matter for the greatest regret if the people of Hong Kong, through apathy, permit it to languish. Hong Kong must take pride in "The Hong Kong Naturalist," and see to it that by all the means of encouragement in its power (we have indicated a means already) that this journal will go on from good to better and best, and take its place in the ranks of similar journals in the world. It is up to the people of Hong Kong. What is their reply to be?

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

A double event was enacted at St. Stephen's College, Stanley, yesterday, when at the annual prize distribution, Mrs. W. T. Southorn lead the tree planting ceremony.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Victoria presided, and was supported by the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, the Warden (Rev. E. W. L. Martin), the Hon. Mr. Foo Ping-sheung and members of the College Council and Staff.

Dr. Yeo Man-kwong presented the prizes.

After the speeches those present adjourned outside, where the inauguration of the tree planting took place, followed by tea.

ERIN'S NIGHT IN HONG KONG.

Ball at the Peninsula Hotel on "Paddy's Day"

SOCIETY'S PROGRAMME.

Correspondence.

MILLINGTON, LTD.
(SHANGHAI).

[To the Editor of "China Mail."] Sir,—Having been informed that a rumour is being circulated in Hong Kong, evidently by interested parties, that Millington Limited in the Peninsula Hotel, to be held in Shanghai is bankrupt, I wish, through the medium of your valuable paper, to explain that there is no excuse for anyone circulating such an absurd rumour as the following note was appended to a notice which appeared in the *North China Daily News* which referred to the winding up by voluntary liquidation of Millington Limited in 1930, when the new firm was organised with greatly increased capital:—

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Personal Pairs.

His Honour Mr. John Roskruge Wood having returned to the Colony resumed duty as Puisne Judge on February 26, 1932.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Ng Mui-kai to act as Assistant Secretary to the Sanitary Board, with effect from March 1, 1932, until further notice.

During the absence on leave of Monsieur Francisco Bonachea y Romero, Consul for Cuba in Hong Kong, Mr. Orlando de Lara will be Acting Consul in charge of the Cuban Consulate.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Colonel Stuart Boyd, D.S.O., to be a Member of the Authorized Architects Committee, vice Colonel Robert Bruce Skinner, O.B.E., resigned.

During the absence on leave of Albuquerque Castro, Consul General for Portugal in Hong Kong, Mr. Carlos Augusto da Rosa will be Acting Consul General in charge of the Portuguese Consulate.

CORONER'S FINDING.

"Death by misadventure" was the verdict returned at the enquiry into the death of Fung Sam and Ng Tim, two stone breakers, who died at the Kowloon Hospital as the result of blasting operations on the Tai Po Road on January 24. Mr. J. S. McLaren, at the District Office South, sat as Coroner, without a jury.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of February 27, 1922.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/4 13/16. Five West Point tobacco godowns owned by the Leung Yik firm have been completely destroyed together with their contents as a result of a fire which broke out there early this morning and was still burning at noon. Thanks to the strenuous efforts of the Fire Brigade there is now no danger of the fire spreading. The total loss is estimated at \$300,000, of which \$200,000 is covered by insurance.

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MANILA.	
SHINYO MARU	Wednesday, 2nd March.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	
+ TOTTORI MARU	Sunday, 28th February.
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NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	
+ TOBA MARU	Monday, 11th April.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Stamboul (Constantinople), Peayaus and Genoa.	
+ LYONS MARU	Monday, 14th March.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
+ RANGOON MARU	Monday, 29th February.
+ NAGATO MARU	Tuesday, 8th March.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	
+ HAKODATE MARU (Maji direct)	Saturday, 27th February.
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Brisbane, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila, JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Sydney Maru	Sat., 5th Mar.
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Havana Maru	Fri., 4th Mar.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama, Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Amazon Maru	Fri., 11th Mar.
BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.	Kwanto Maru	Thurs., 10th Mar.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Argon Maru	Sat., 5th Mar.
HAIPHONG via Hulow....	Sumatra Maru	Wed., 2nd Mar.
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (8 p.m. every Sunday).	Canton Maru	Tues., 1st Mar.
JAPAN PORTS via Takao & Keeling.	Canada Maru	Thurs., 10th Mar.
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During the year output consisted of 101 vessels aggregating 152,666 tons, as compared with 249 vessels, representing 529,586 tons, in 1930, and 377 vessels, totalling 766,490 tons, in 1913. Marine engineering slumped to approximately the same extent, the figures being 186,937 i.h.p. in 1931 and 64,574 i.h.p. in 1930.

In 1928, when the shipbuilding output was 175,528 tons, and in 1932, when the aggregate gross tonnage totalled 172,440, the

slump was reckoned as severe, but never at any time has the outlook been so bad as at present.

Only two out of the 21 producing yards could be said to be reasonably supplied with orders, these being Messrs. Lithgows, Ltd., Port-Glasgow, and Messrs. Yarrow and Co., Scotstoun. The former have almost a year's work in front of them. Within the past four months the Port-Glasgow firm received orders for eight or nine cargo carriers of from 5,000 to 7,000 tons gross, and have almost 60,000 tons gross measurement of new construction.

The total amount of work in hand on the Clyde is approximately 140,000 tons, of which the 73,000-ton new Cunarder, now in a state of suspension, represents about half. Over 200,000 tons of shipping is also laid up in the docks in the estuary of the Clyde.

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WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:

Berwick—No 6 buoy.

Bridgewater—North wall.

Bruce—In dock.

Herald—East wall.

Hermes—No 1 buoy.

Keppel—North arm.

Marazion—North wall.

Medway & subs.—No 2 buoy.

Pandora—in dock.

Proteus—in dock.

Tamar—Basin.

Veteran—West wall.

Wren—West wall.

Whitshed—West wall.

Witch—West wall.

Foreign Men-of-War.

Argus—French river gunboat.

Gil Eanes—Portuguese transport.

Mindanao—American river gunboat.

Van Galen—Dutch destroyer.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Thursday, February 25.

Hosang, British str., 3,293 tons, Capt. M. Costello, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Antung, British str., 2,107 tons, Capt. D. Lupton, from Amoy, buoy No. A5.—B. & S.

Ardent, Norwegian str., 1,805 tons, Captain H. A. Johnson, from Bangkok, buoy No. B17.—K. M. & Co.

Feng Lee, Chinese str., 998 tons, Capt. Y. Yamaji, from Canton, buoy No. C3.—Loong Tai Hong.

Gray's Harbor, American str., 5,442 tons, Capt. F. W. Brooks, from Kobe, buoy No. A11.—A.M.L.

Haitnor, Norwegian str., 761 tons, Capt. C. Beck, from Bangkok, buoy No. B12.—Kim Tai Loong.

Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. J. W. Jenkins, from Wei-hai-wei, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

Kitaco Maru, Japanese str., 4,926 tons, Capt. B. Matsukura, from Nagasaki, buoy No. A2.—N.Y.K.

Klungchow, British str., 1,545 tons, Capt. R. Allinson, from Canton, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Naldera, British str., 8,936 tons, Capt. R. Harrison, from Yokohama and Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—M.M. & Co.

Prominent, Norwegian str., 1,877 tons, Captain H. Jensen, from Saigon, buoy No. B9.—Nam Tai Loong.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,616 tons, Capt. J. S. Anderson, from Canton, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

Mausang, British str., 2,083 tons, Capt. G. F. Matthews, from Sandakan, buoy No. B22.—J. M. & Co.

CLEARANCES.

Friday, February 26.

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Kittawa, for Swatow.

Norviken, for Canton.

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Tinhow, for Swatow.

Touraine, for Shanghai.

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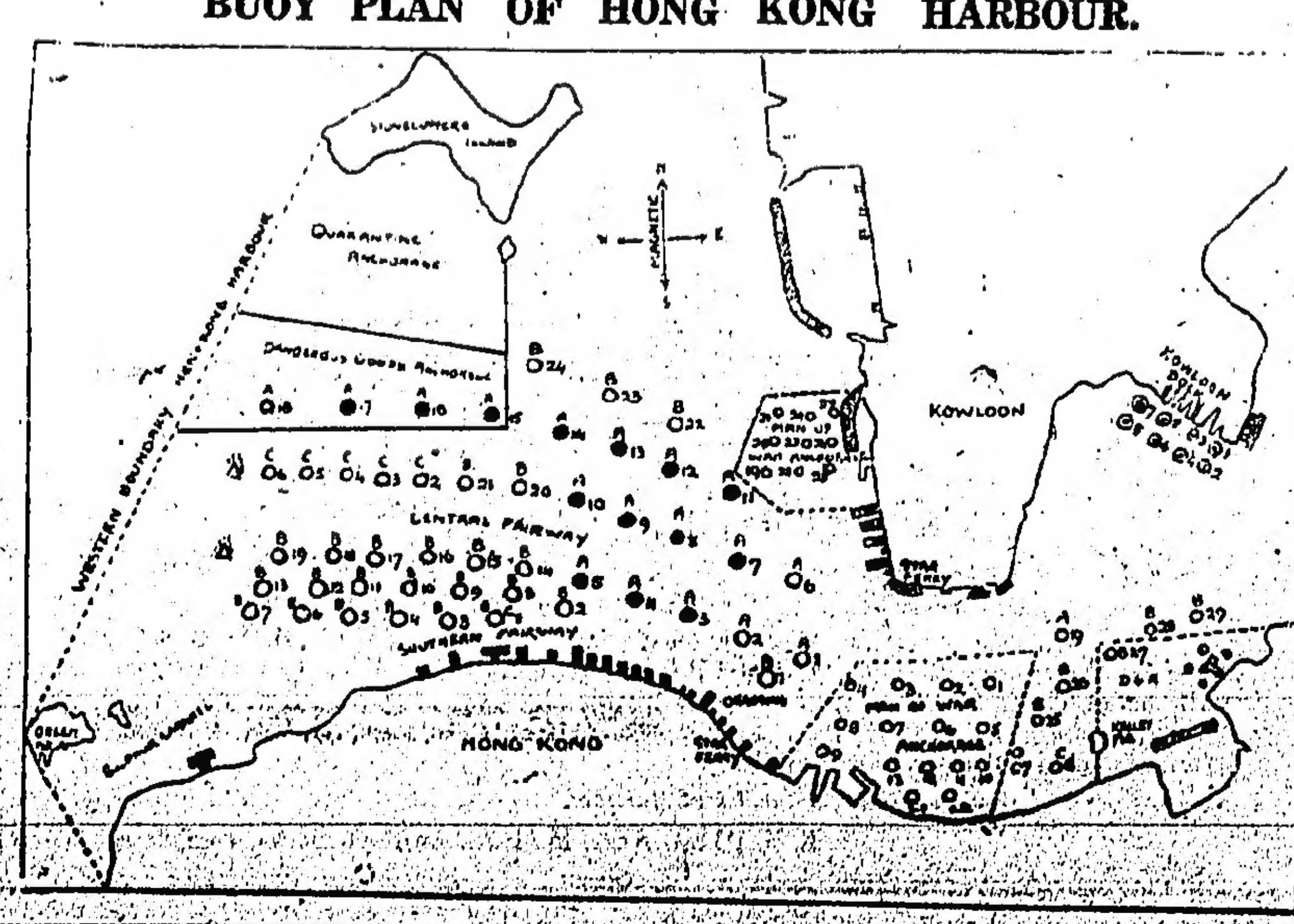
Wichita, for Manila.

Wing Lee, for K. C. Wan.

CONSIGNMENT NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex.s.s. Bencluech are reminded to take delivery of their goods, which will be subject to rent after March 1.

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*SOU DAN	6,800	8th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CARTHAGE	15,000	12th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	20th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,500	2nd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CORFU	15,000	9th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPUR	17,000	7th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOMALI	6,500	14th May	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CHITRAL	15,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANCHI	17,000	4th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BANGALORE	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
NALDERA	16,000	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KAISARI-HIND	12,000	2nd July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTIA	11,000	20th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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NAVAL FILM - ACTING JUDGE QUESTIONS LEGALITY. Court Action by the Admiralty.

A dispute concerning payments due to the Admiralty for facilities provided for the filming of "The Flag Lieutenant" led Mr. Justice Charles, in the King's Bench Division, to make comments on the use of the Navy for film making.

The Admiralty sued Astra National Productions, Ltd., of Wardour Street, W.C., claiming \$1,607 as an additional share due to them of the proceeds of the film under an agreement made with the company in June, 1926.

Mr. S. O. Henn Collins, for the Admiralty, said the company secured the consent of the Admiralty to take photographs of the ships and personnel of the Navy for the film, and the Admiralty were to be paid a share of the receipts from the sale and rental of the film. "The Flag Lieutenant" was produced, and a dispute had arisen on certain items of payment arising out of the agreement.

Mrs. Justice Charles—Is it anticipated when the Navy vote is passed that the personnel of our Navy will be used for making a film?

Mr. Henn Collins—No doubt anything made out of it comes into the account and is appropriated in aid.

For the Sports Account. Mr. Russell Vick (for the defendants)—I believe the whole of it goes not to improving the personnel as actors but as sportsmen, because it goes into the sports account.

Mr. Henn Collins—It is a very good advertisement of the Navy, if the Navy can be said to require advertisement.

Under the agreement, said Mr. Henn Collins, the Admiralty were to have 15 per cent. of the balance of the receipts for the film, after deducting the actual cost of the production, distribution and exploitation of the film. The defendants got another incorporation of themselves, National Productions, Ltd., to make the film and now sought to charge against the Admiralty in the accounts as actual cost of production, distribution and exploitation the money expended by National Productions, and the amount paid to that company by the defendants for making the film—45 per cent. of the gross takings.

If, counsel contended, the agreement meant what defendants suggested it was obvious that they could so arrange their finances that in no event could the Admiralty get anything at all.

Is It Lawful? Mr. Justice Charles—That comes of the Admiralty embarking on things of this sort. You will have to satisfy me that this is a lawful agreement. It is not for me to say as a judge

whether this is desirable or not. The only question is whether it is lawful—whether the Admiralty have the power to use the ships and personnel of the Navy for the purposes of making such a contract.

Mr. Henn Collins.—The Admiralty can use the ships and personnel so far as the courts are concerned how they please. And complaint to be made is made in Parliament.

Mr. Justice Charles.—The Admiralty enter into this only so far as it lawfully may do. Is not that for the Court to interpret unless they have some special Act or Order in Council enabling them to do it? I am not at all satisfied that they can do this lawfully at all. If that agreement is unlawful I cannot implement it however satisfactory it may have been to one side or the other.

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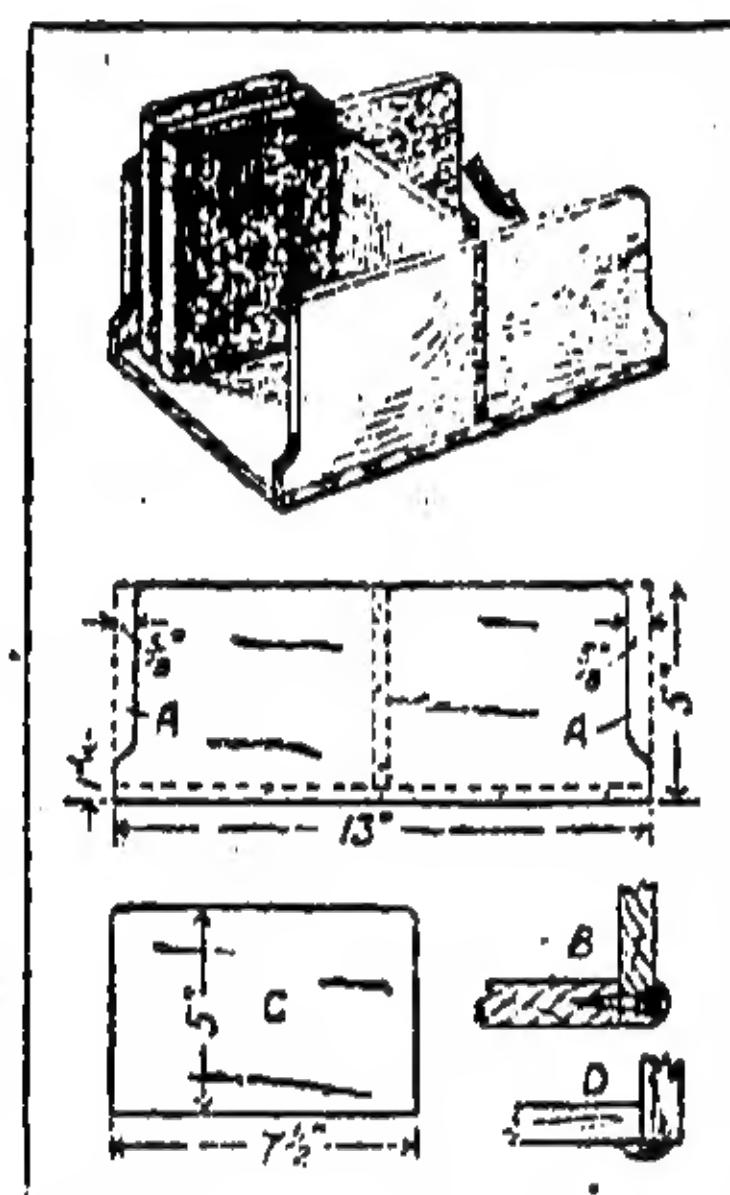
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The Hut Carpenter.

LONG AGO STORIES.

Willow Bud And The Water Spirit.

Willow Bud was twelve years old, and very lovely. She had two plaits of long black hair, and eyes as black as night. When the Red Indians went on the war-path, she stayed with the squaws, salting fish, and making pinole which was ground and dried maize. When they were making pinole Willow Bud was always sent down to the rapids to throw some to the water spirit.

Sometimes Willow Bud would stand on the river bank looking at the rocks over which the water dashed rapidly, but she never saw the water spirit. He was a serpent, she believed, a dreadful creature,



"Willow Bud clung to the rock, and there they left her."

yet very necessary to them. He breathed water up into the sky where it became clouds, and later it fell back to earth as rain. But often he was angry, and then he dried up the river, or sent famine, or caused great braves to be killed in battle.

"Why are you sometimes unkind to us?" asked Willow Bud, when she threw pinole to the water spirit. "Every fisherman gives you his first fish, I bring you the best pinole, and we all acknowledge that you are great and we could not live without you."

The serpent was too proud to answer, but that summer it was very angry, and gradually dried up the river, only allowing a little water to remain near the rapids where it lived coiled up under a rock. The Indians were distressed, and they looked at Willow Bud, and whispered,

"Willow Bud, I will plait your hair with blossoms," said an old squaw one day.

Willow Bud was pleased. When the Chief brought her a little coat of mink fur, and told her she was the most beautiful of maidens, she was delighted.

BAD LUCK—GOOD LUCK.

Once upon a time, two poor maidens set out to look for Luck, but they had no idea where he might be.

"I shall help all poor old men and women across roads," said Alvira. "They may be Luck in disguise."

"I shall keep my eyes wide open and let nothing escape me," sighed Miranda.

They were so poor that they were obliged to beg their bread, and when people told them that it was better to do a little work than to look for that rogue Luck, they turned up their pretty noses and went on.

Luck was very amused. He was a wild youth, who dashed about the world in all sorts of disguises, and he decided to play a trick on Alvira and Miranda as he did on a number of other people.

"I will put myself right in their way and they won't know me," he laughed.

Now it happened that Alvira and Miranda were at the seaside, and Alvira took a boat and went out to sea.

"I shall have a rest," she thought. "Luck is not likely to be all by himself on the sea, so I can go to sleep."

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But when a great brave sent her a pair of beaded shoes, her heart began to beat very rapidly.

"Am I to be a bride?" whispered Willow Bud. And the old squaw nodded, though she would not tell Willow Bud who was the bridegroom.

That evening Willow Bud was led to the rapids, and then she knew that she was to be sacrificed to the water serpent.

"Oh Water, Water, I cannot be your bride!" she cried. "Spare me, and send us back the river!"

But they pushed her into the rapids, where she clung to the rock, and there they left her,

knowing that she was very brave and would not try to get away.

For hours Willow Bud waited for the serpent to appear. Then an old brave from another tribe passed by, and when he saw that the serpent would not allow the rapids to drown Willow Bud, he rescued her from the water and carried her away to his own tribe.

Now these Indians thought that Willow Bud was holy, and they changed her name to Bride-of-the-Water. She was very, very happy, because she could always do exactly what she liked, and was given the best of all that the tribe possessed.

None of the springs or rivers belonging to those Indians ever dried, because Bride-of-the-Water was their queen!

WENDY'S LITTLE NEEDLEWOMEN

A Smart Crochet Wool "Set".

You can make a very attractive crochet wool "set" for your new frock if you choose wool in a shade that exactly matches or else provides a decided contrast. You will need about one ounce of four-ply wool for the set, which includes collar, cuffs, a waistbelt, and a pretty band for your flat hat. You will also need a number eight bone crochet hook.

The collar is just a straight piece of treble crochet, about



Dressmaker tells you how to make this smart crochet wool set of collar, cuffs, waistbelt and hat-band.

twelve inches long and four inches wide. Work a chain, four inches long, then do three extra chain, and work a treble crochet into the fourth chain from the hook. Continue in treble crochet all along the chain, work three extra at the end for turning, then come back along the row, and so on, till the strip is the required length. Take care to keep your stitches as even as possible. Diagram A shows you the strip; and Diagram B shows how you get the collar shape by turning over the ends each side. Find the middle of the collar and the centre-back of the dress; then sew on the collar, doing first one side starting from the centre-back, and then the other, so that you are sure to get it on straight.

The cuff-trimmings are made from long strips of treble crochet, each strip four trebles wide, and long enough to go round the cuff of your dress-sleeve stitched in a flat bow, as you see in the picture.

Make a similar strip for the hat-band. The belt is also worked in treble crochet, about three inches wide and long enough to go comfortably round your waist.

You could make a pretty "jazz" set for a plain navy frock, by working odd lengths of different coloured wools together.

Wendy's Dressmaker.

She went to sleep. Then a little breeze sprang up, and before poor Alvira knew where she was, her boat was dashed on a rock, and she only escaped by the skin of her teeth.

"Bad Luck!" she cried. "I don't want you—I want your brother."

The next day Miranda went out in a boat, and the same breeze sprang up. But she fought it hard, and would not go near the rocks, and suddenly it changed round and carried her to an island where the mermaids piled the gold they found at the bottom of the sea. And on the shore was a young man who looked as if he were made of

Legs.

Idle.

Lace.

Or.

Vin.

On.

Note.

Neat.

Tidy.

Polecat.

Her.

Ends.

Snow.

Mole.

ENE.

Pretended.

Down.

Lion.

Level.

Glasses.

Went.

Drop.

Coat.

Toddle.

Earned.

Eh.

Hem.

Owed.

Nor.

Set.

One.

SE.

Compass point.

Last week we drew a picture of a pole and a cat on top: perhaps this suggested to you the animal name that was hidden in the puzzle — polecat. Full solution: —

Acnes.

2. A limb	.....	(Leg).
5. Lazy	.....	(Idle).
7. Kind of trimming	.....	(Lace).
9. Conjunction	.....	(Or).
10. By way of	.....	(Via).
11. Upon	.....	(On).
12. Short letter	.....	(Note).
14. Tidy	.....	(Neat).
16. Hidden animal name	.....	(Polecat).
19. Pronoun	.....	(Her).
21. Finishes	.....	(Ends).
24. Falls in white flakes	.....	(Snow).
26. Little burrowing animals	.....	(Moles).
28. Compass point	.....	(ENE).
29. Made believe	.....	(Pretended).

Down.

1. Wild animal

2. Even

3. Gives a quick look

4. Departed

5. To let fall

6. Garment

13. To walk like a baby

15. Deserved

17. Exclamation of enquiry

18. Fibre used for rope-making

20. Was indebted to

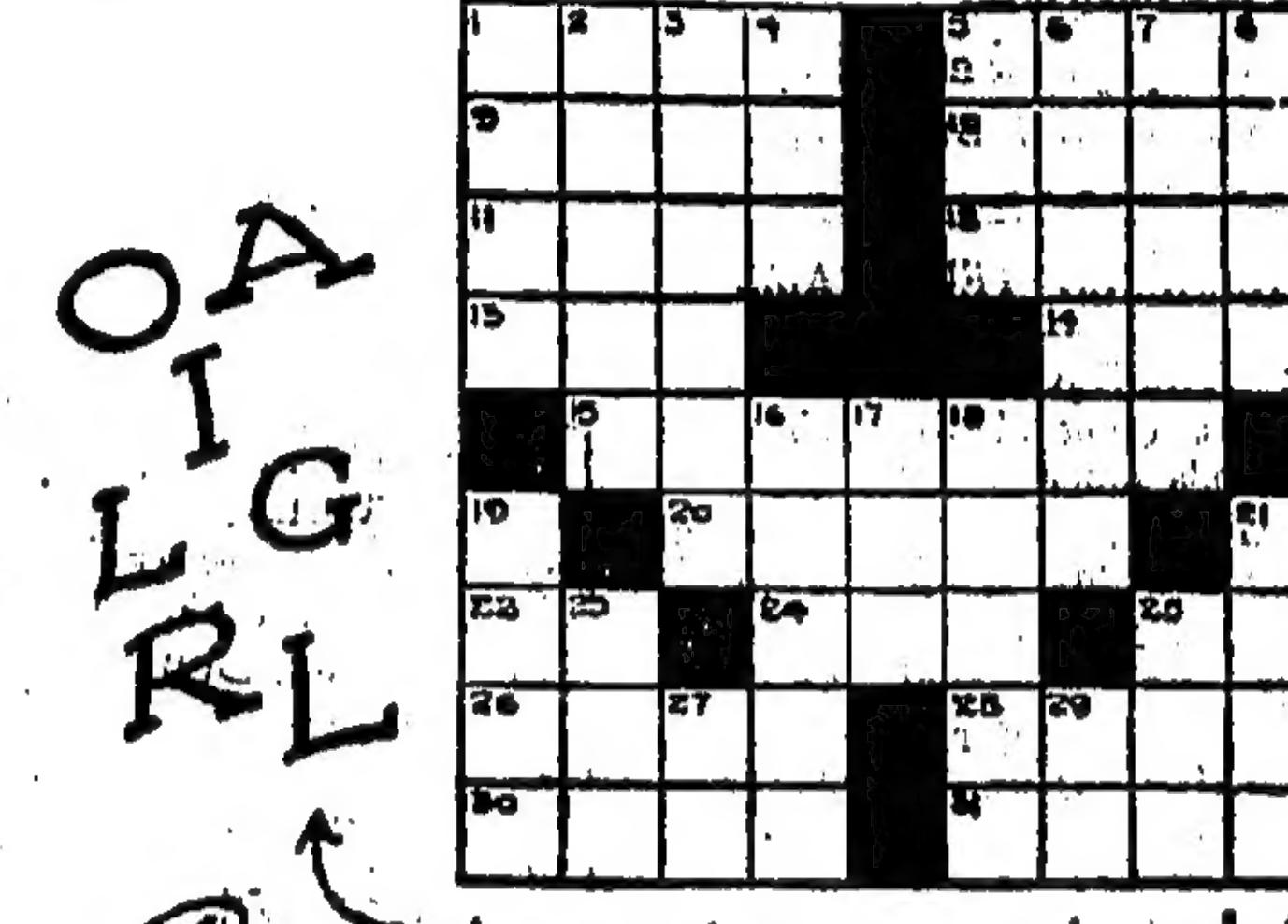
22. Follows neither

23. A collection

25. Number

27. Compass point

Now if you arrange the letters beside this week's puzzle into their proper order, you will find they spell the name of a ferocious ape. The name is hidden, as usual.



Clues:

Across.

1. Small island.

5. Shut noisily.

9. Pack away.

10. French for "Mother."

11. Cord used in fishing.

12. Family English river.

13. Termination.

14. Large Australian bird.

16. Hidden name.

20. Taken notice of.

22. To a higher place.

24. Employ.

25. Preposition.

26. Used in playing cricket.

28. Flying toy.

30. Wild plum.

31. Stalk.

Down.

1. Same as 1 across.

2. A wasp will do this.

3. Great English city.

4. Sheep.

5. Health resort.

6. Makes even.

7. Fragrance.

8. Bill of fare.

16. Wake.

17. Possessive pronoun.

18. Vegetables.

19. Young foxes.

21. Detail.

23. Chum.

25. Devoured.

27. Preparation.

29. The thing.

lightning.

"You are Luck!" cried

Miranda.

"I am," he nodded. "And this fortune is yours because you have taken advantage of

"Luck!"

"Oh, good Luck!" cried the delighted Miranda.

"Tell Alvira I haven't a brother," he laughed as he vanished. "You call me 'bad' if you use me the wrong way, and 'good' if you catch me at the right moment!"

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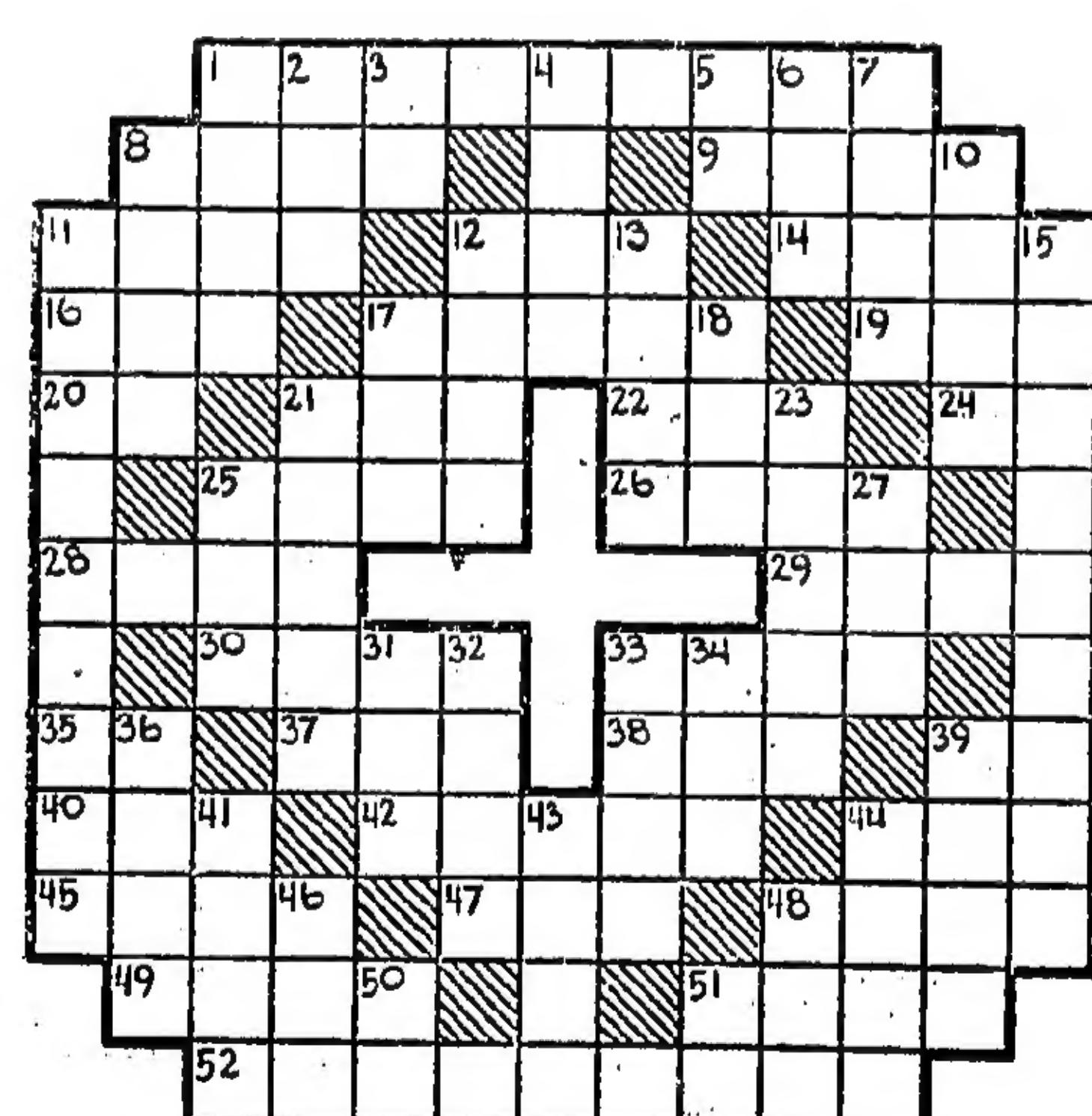
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Most powerful
8-The blackthorn
9-Mud
11-Cense
12-United
14-Scarce
16-Strike
17-A fabulously rich
man
18-Fasten
20-Comparative suffi-
21-Liquid measure
(abbr.)
22-Porch
24-A thoroughfare
(abbr.)
25-Attention
26-A node in a stem
28-Warmth
29-A kind of rubber
30-Clear
35-Hard to understand
36-Egyptian aurochs
37-Likewise not
38-Arrive (abbr.)

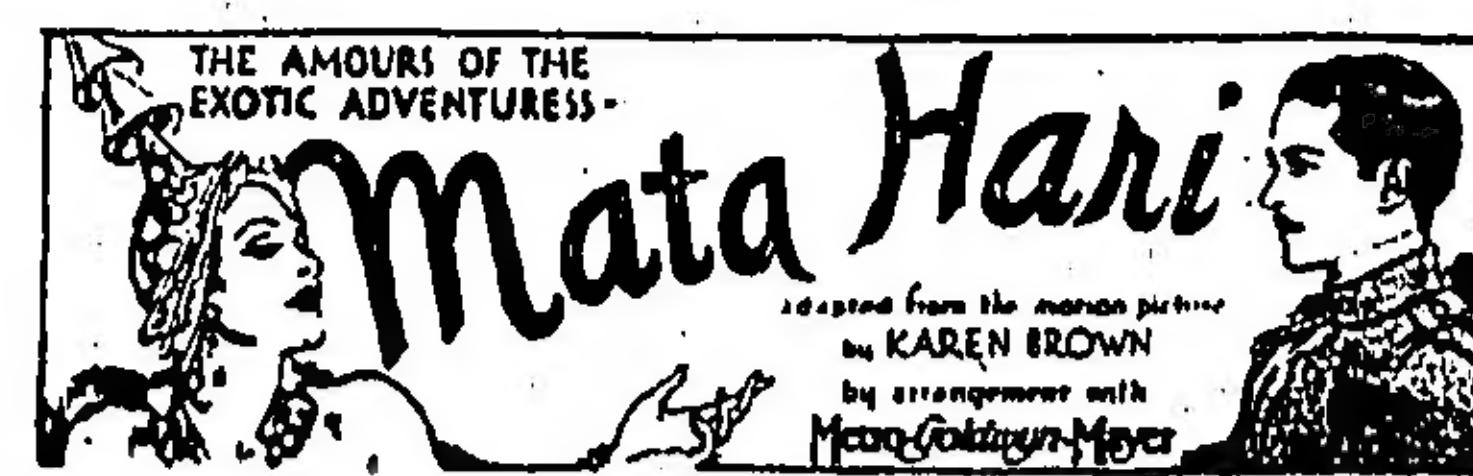
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
39-Army corps
(abbr.)
40-Obscure
42-The moon-goddess
44-A pastry
45-The blackening
made by smoke
47-Point of compass
(abbr.)
48-Clears
49-Woody part of a
plant
50-Banishes
52-A statute

VERTICAL
1-Groove
2-Summit
3-Musical note
4-Want
5-Printed's measure
6-A title
7-A anata
8-Agitate

11-Keepers of sheep
12-Measure of length
13-A lesson
15-Openings
17-Deface
18-Evil
21-A dam of the
Panama Canal
23-Drunkard
25-Head covering
27-Strike gendy
31-A stick
32-Large lake
33-Native of Denmark
34-A long period
35-Pain
39-Assists
41-Dumb
43-Anatomy (abbr.)
44-A liquid measure
45-Half a score
46-Moved swiftly
50-Mother (short)
51-Exile

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.
APES CAMPUS OPAL
NEAT ANILE LEDA
ASSUMPTION GROS
TENENT DETAINE
SE SAG SCI HIE
CROSSING ACROSS
AERO NARD ELL
TRIP STIR AIDE
GOD SPIT ROFS
SPIDER SERPENTS
GEN LKG DOR EG
PLANTER LATER
TATE PARALYSIS
ACROS EDELWEIS ARGA
NEED DEPART FVOC

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)



CHAPTER VI.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR
Mata Hari, famous dancer "and
enemy spy, undertakes to get some
secret papers from her lover Shubin,
Attache of the Russian Embassy in
Paris. Shubin has been unnerved by
a visit from Dubois, the head of the
French Secret Service, and refuses
to discuss them. But before leaving
his house, Mata Hari meets again
a young aviator, Alexander Rosanoff,
whom she has permitted to make
love to her and dismissed, and learns
he is flying to Russia in the morn-
ing.

THE DANGEROUS GAME.

There is always a sensation of
surprised delight when the missing
part of a puzzle, after much figuring,
slips suddenly into place.

This sensation Mata Hari felt
when, as she deftly added one and
one and one—the nice young aviator
flying to Russia in the morning and
ordered to keep to his rooms mean-
while—the papers no longer in
Shubin's possession—Shubin's state-
ment that the messages would be
safe in Russia to-morrow—the
unknown quantity leapt into her
mind and made a total of four.

Why, of course, Rosanoff had the
papers and was guarding them to-
night!

And what was she to do? There
was no question but that she must
get the papers. Her pride would
never permit her to report a failure to
Adriana, especially one due to
her own negligence, for this would
not have happened yesterday. And
here was a challenge to her skill.

Only—where did Rosanoff live?
She did not particularly regret
her action of the afternoon and she
had every confidence that she could
undo it. If only she could find the
young man in the haystack of Paris!
If only she had not taken it for
granted that he was so unimportant!
Whatever had made her do that?

Down the wide, tree-shaded street,
a taxi chugged along rather slowly.
When it had reached a spot not far
from her, the driver seemed to have
some engine trouble. He got out
and peered into the hood. He
stamped his feet and rubbed his
hands, but did not look around.
The dancer hugged the shadow of a
wall. And after a second the taxi
went on.

In a little while the taxi appeared
around the corner again. And at
about the spot where it had previ-
ously halted, it paused once more.
The driver appeared to have some
fresh engine trouble.

Now, Mata Hari had made certain
that this was no coincidence. But
she signalled as she would have to
an ordinary taxi and waited for the
man to speak first.

"Madame, the weather is most in-
clent," he said.

She then got in.

"I am to tell you we have traced
the papers and to drive you there."

Really, Adriana was almost
worthy to give her orders! He left
nothing undone, he was ever on
guard against the unlucky chance.
All the same, she examined the
driver before replying. Fortunately,
she was able to recognise him
under the disguise and at that she
relaxed.

"Are you sure we're not being
followed? Is there any one at the
window, perhaps?"

"No Madame, there is no one in
the street and I have seen nothing.
I am quite sure."

"They're at the young Russian's,
I suppose."

"Exactly, Madame. It's not far.
I am to tell you that the concierge
is asleep, the men have keys and
will let you in, and they will come
later at your signal."

"But they can't take them away
because in the morning ..."

"What a charming little place you
have! But then you must be often
in Paris to keep your own quarters
here."

Rosanoff had regained his voice,
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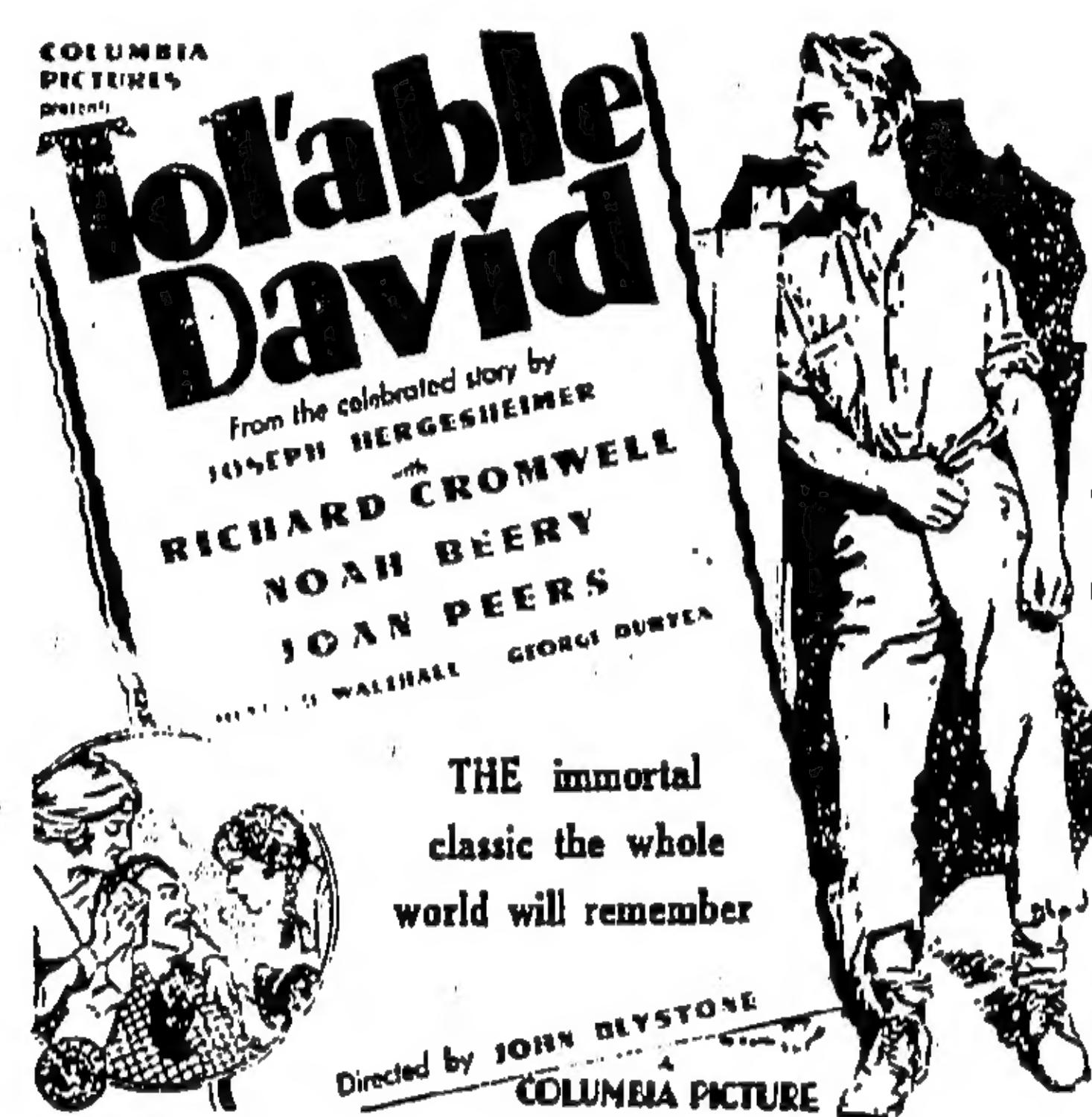
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BRITISH GOVERNMENT STOCKS STRONG.

All Round Rise.

Rugby, Yesterday. There was another allround rise in British Government Stocks to-day, buying orders coming from both Home and Abroad. Advances are attributed to the expectations of a further reduction in the Bank Rate in the near future and are attracting special interest in view of the likelihood of early War Loan Conversion operation later.

War Loan fives were quoted to-day at 100 1/2. Conversion 4 1/2 rose to 100 1/4. Consols fours to 90 and Funding Loan fours, which closed on Thursday at 92 1/2, improved to 94 1/2. British Wireless Service.

BRITISH SWEEPSTAKES.

Question To Be Raised In Parliament.

An extension of the powers of the Racecourse Betting Control Board—the body responsible for totalisator operation—to allow the Board to promote national sweepstakes for the benefit of English hospitals will, it is understood, be urged in the House of Commons.

In November the project was being seriously considered but it was then pointed out that, while no official steps had been taken, the suggestion was being freely discussed by the various interests concerned.

Apart from the funds which could be derived for hospitals by properly supervised national sweepstakes on the lines of the Irish sweepstakes, it is estimated that the charges which the Board would make would go far towards improving its unsatisfactory financial position.

When the report and accounts of the last year's operations of the Board are published in May it is expected that they will show another deficit. It is, in fact, regarded as doubtful whether the Board will be able to do more than make up the previous year's deficit and meet the interest charges on its bank loan of £2,000,000.

TOOK BRIDEGROOM'S PLACE.

But Best Man Went For Police and Intruder Was Arrested.

Just as a rich peasant proprietor was being married to the village beauty, a young man who had long courted the girl dashed up the aisle, pushed the bridegroom down the steps of the choir, and took his place by the side of the frightened girl.

The priest pretended to go on with the ceremony.

Meanwhile the best man slipped out of the church to fetch help.

When the intruder thought the wedding ceremony had been completed he carried the half-fainting bride in his arms to the door of the church.

But outside six gendarmes were waiting for him, and freed the bride. She returned to the altar, and the priest then married her to the real bridegroom. The intruder was taken to prison.

She has finished growing in six years' time.

LOCAL SOLICITORS IN HIGHLY DANGEROUS CAR SMASH.

CONDUCT.

Crash with Lamp Standard in Queen's Road.

HEAD INJURIES.

Mr. H. S. V. Mossop, the well-known local solicitor, of the firm of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, was involved in a motor accident this morning, according to a Police report.

Mr. M. M. Watson, also a solicitor, and living at the Peninsula Hotel, was driving his motor car along Queen's Road East, in a westerly direction and when opposite the Army Ordnance Corps buildings, he attempted to pass another motor car, which was travelling in the same direction. In doing so, he collided with a lamp standard, in the middle of the road, damaging the rear part of the car.

The two passengers in the car, Mr. Mossop and Mr. N. J. Thayer, of the Hong Kong Club, sustained head injuries, as a result of the impact.

PATRIOTIC BRITISH TAXPAYERS.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons to-day Major Elliot (Financial Secretary to the Treasury) moving a small supplementary vote for extra expenses incurred in the collection of revenue, said that the collection recently had been at a rate almost unparalleled in the history of this or any other country and it was due to the loyalty of direct taxpayers and officials of the department that this result had been obtained.—British Wireless Service.

U.S. TO ISSUE NO MORE NOTES.

Washington, Yesterday.

After a conference with Mr. Hoover, Mr. Stimson said to-day that there would be a cessation of notes on the Sino-Japanese situation.—Reuter's American Service.

£1,350 FOR A GIRL'S LEG.

Knocked Down By Bus While On Way To School.

Damages of £1,350 and costs were awarded at Nottingham Sheriff's Court recently to Dorothy Bennett, aged 12, of Union Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, against Messrs. Richard Johnson and Son, Sutton-in-Ashfield, omnibus proprietors.

The girl was returning from school last January when one of the company's omnibuses mounted the pavement and pushed her against the wall. Her left leg was consequently amputated above the knee. Another operation will be necessary, it was stated, before an artificial limb can be used, when taken to prison.

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Youths Severely Dealt With.

Three Chinese youths, who attacked a Shantung police constable who had arrested a man in Hollywood Road, during the firing of crackers on Tuesday, were severely dealt with by Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday afternoon.

His Worship considered that their conduct was highly dangerous, in that it might have led to considerable bloodshed and the loss of many lives. They were each fined \$50, with the alternative of four weeks' imprisonment.

U.S. JOURNAL'S LOVE INDEX.

Private Lives Of Its Readers.

How much does a salesman need to know about his prospective customer? This question has cropped up during an investigation by the State Bureau of Statistics into the stock-selling activities of several high-class periodicals.

The bureau is seeking to determine if the publications are guilty of violating the Martin Act, which forbids the publication of intimate personal matter in a magazine. Six card indices were identified by Mr. Richard Sommer, a former stock salesman for Town Topics, who said that he had received the cards before giving advice to the persons named on them. The names are withheld, but the annals themselves make curious reading.

"Clever Chauffeur" One card read: "The wife of _____ will divorce him in due time. Had practically agreed to marry _____ but seems to be taken up with a Mr. _____ who is worth £2,400,000."

Another card contained the information: "A bridge expert. Has an affair with the sister of his brother's wife, age 18. His wife has left him several times. Wealthy."

Yet another read: "Wife in distress, suing—for non-support of a child. He is supporting other girls. Telephoned that he will take five shares."

WHEN DICKENS KEPT THE SCORE-BOOK.

Charles Dickens acted as cricket scorer at the village matches at Gadshill. On one occasion he bowled the first ball at a charity match at the back of Gadshill Place, and it is depicted in a picture which was to have been put up for sale at Sotheby's on February 17. The exact date is unknown, but it is believed to be September 16, 1868.

The novelist's son, Sir Henry Dickens, K.C., the Common Serjeant, has supplied some corroborative testimony. He says: "My father lived in Gadshill from 1856 to 1870. Towards the end of the time we had a village cricket club of which I was captain. My father used to take the part of scorer at the games we played there and was sustained in that arduous job by cooling drinks provided for those guests who were staying in the house at the time or for the neighbours who came to see the game."

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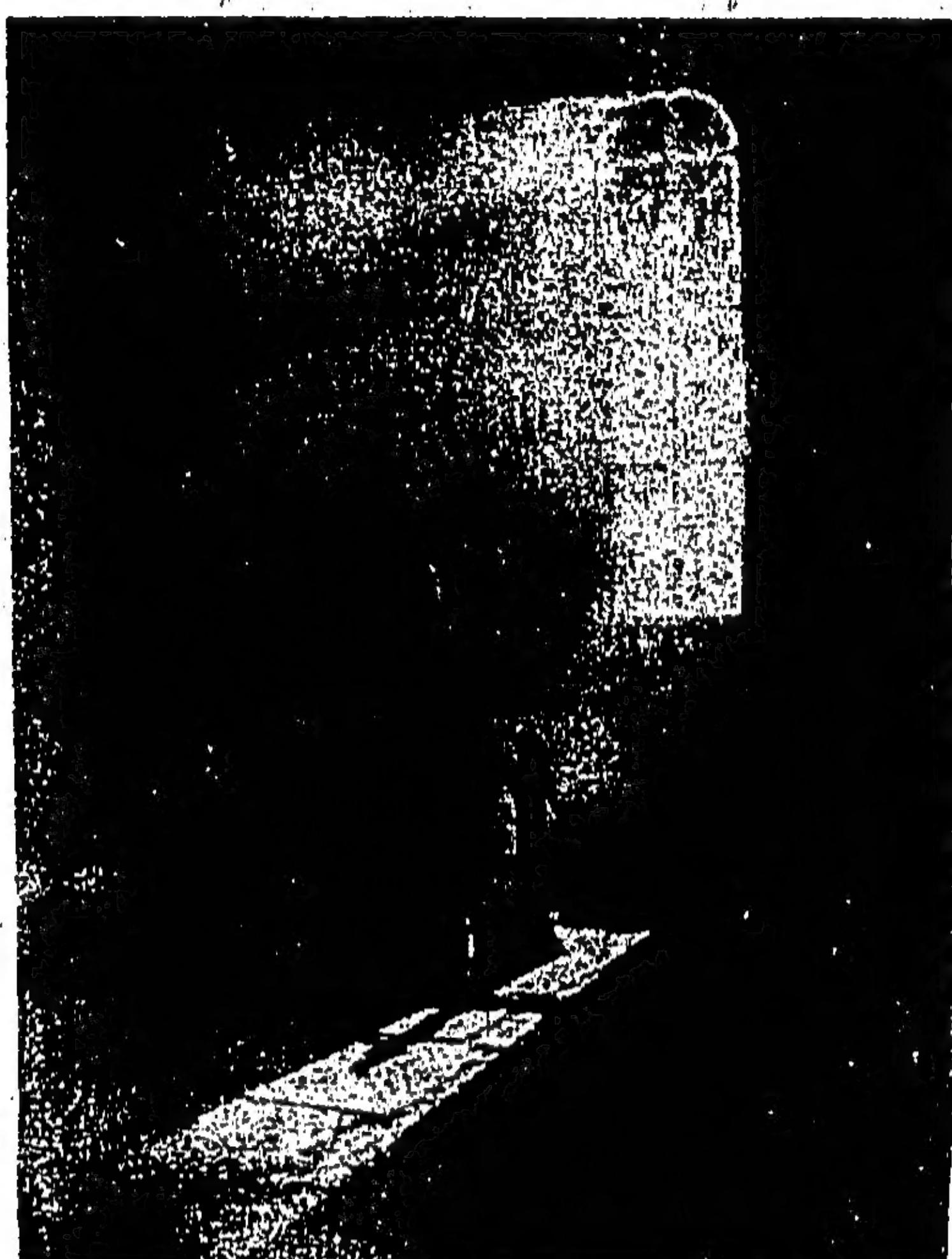
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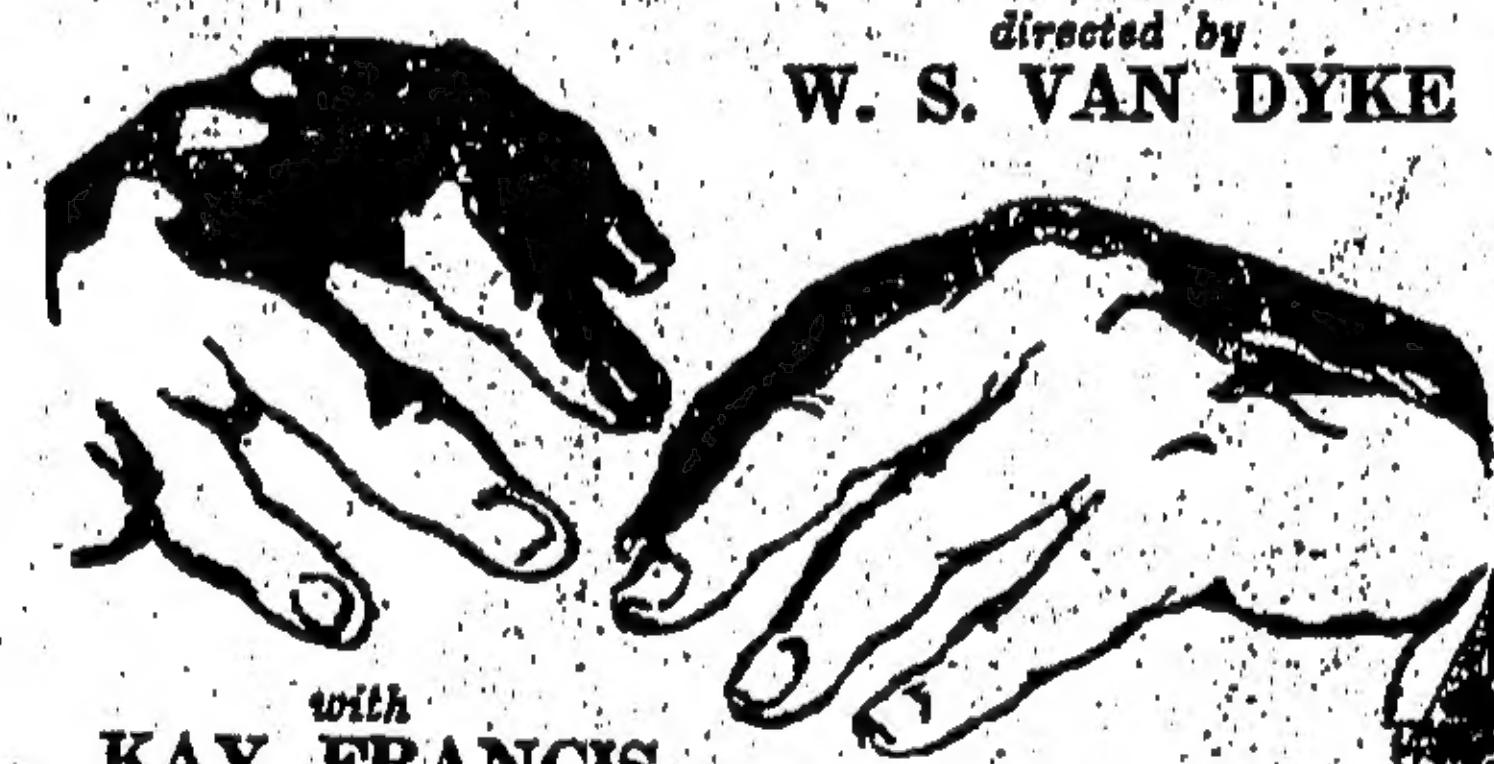
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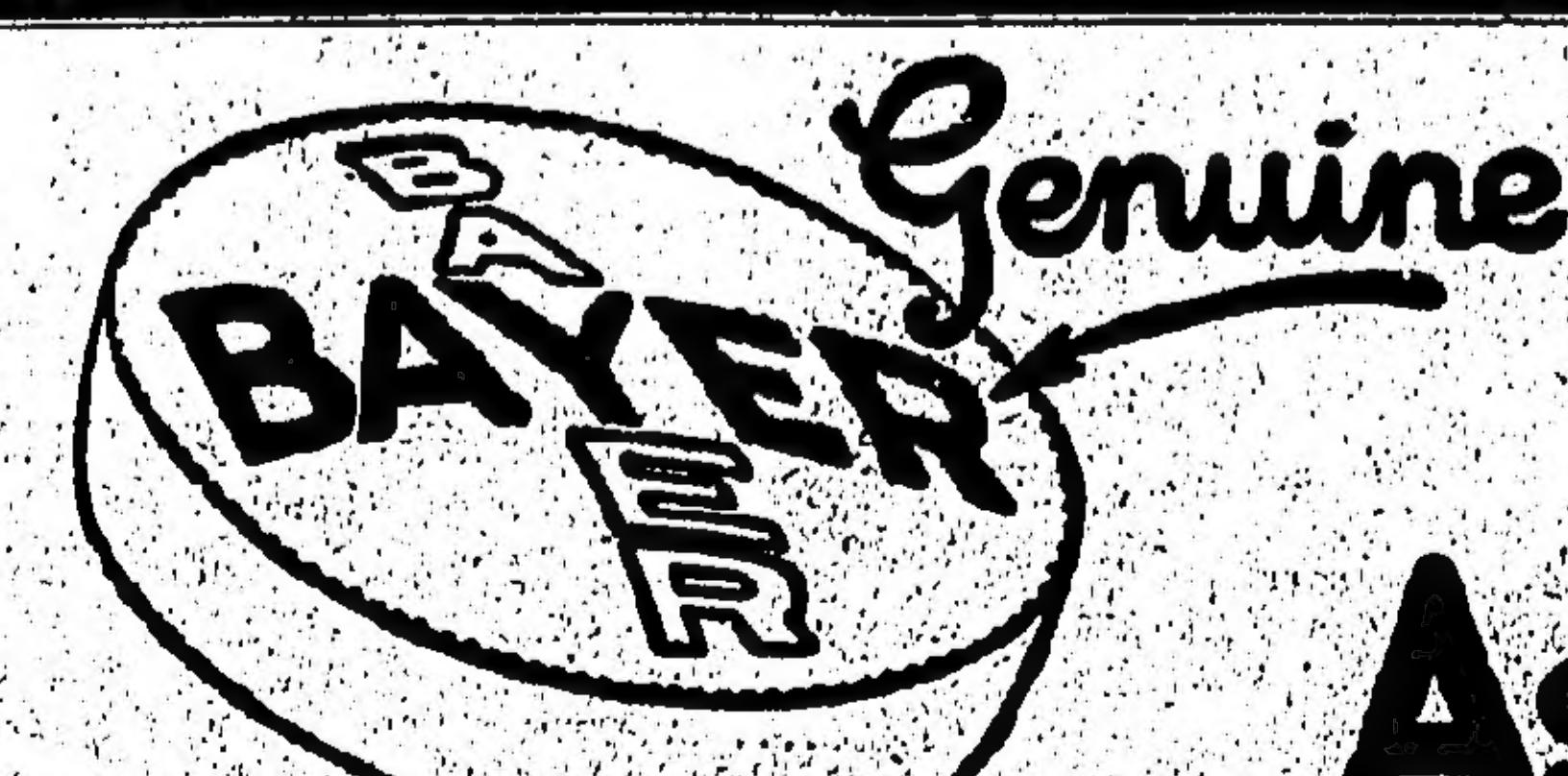
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